

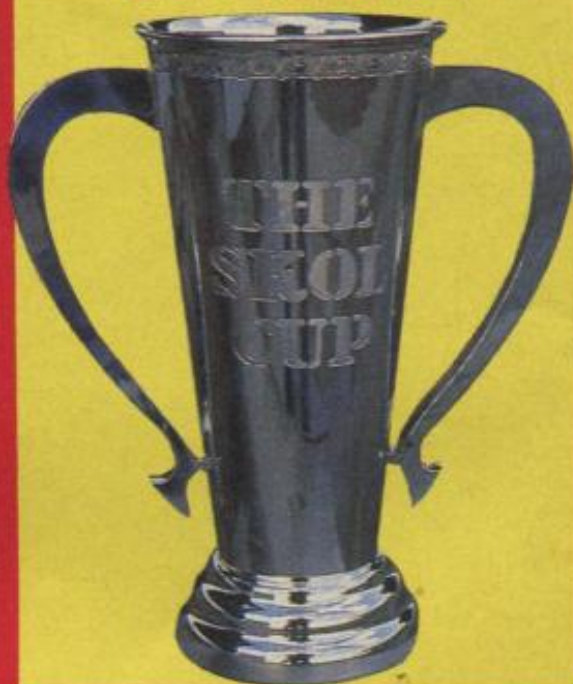
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**DRUGS IN  
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With manager Kenny Dalglish's problems mounting he might be grateful of a solution to one of them... courtesy of England star Peter Beardsley.

The Anfield boss has been more pre-occupied in recent weeks with a defensive crisis which reached epidemic proportions with injury to Gary Gillespie and illness that struck down keeper Bruce Grobbelaar.

But Dalglish has still to deal with the striking problem brought about by the return to Liverpool of goal ace Ian Rush.

After a series of indifferent results the canny Scot is torn over his best front-line formation and the questions remain:

- \* Should he play Rush or Aldridge alongside Beardsley?
- \* Should he play both marksmen and discard Beardsley?
- \* Can he play all three at the same time?

England international Beardsley could have the answer with this honest assessment of a situation every manager would love to be in.

"When you have got three strikers like us it's hard to fit them into two places," says the former Newcastle idol. "Playing Ian and John up front with me in midfield hasn't worked as well as expected."

"It would be easier if the three of us stayed up front but when one is floating off the other two it is hard because John and Ian are

# BEARDSLEY: 'Three into two won't go, Kenny'

very similar in the way they play. It would be a case of those two playing and me not playing at all to get the best out of them.

"That's a sacrifice I don't want to make so, at the end of the day, what I am saying is that it has got to be two from three. Hopefully I will be one of those two."

When Dalglish made his sensational swoop for his former partner in goals the soccer world assumed Rush's look-alike striker John Aldridge would be the man to suffer from his return.

But it was Beardsley who made way for Rush's 18-minute debut against Charlton on a day when Aldo struck a hat-trick as clinical as it was timely.

When, a fortnight later, Beardsley was dropped all together for the visit to Villa Park the Anfield axe appeared to be falling firmly in the England star's direction.

"I know what people were thinking but I was never that worried," says the back-in-favour striker. "They were looking for reasons and stories that weren't there."

"Against Charlton I always expected Rushy to come on at some stage and when the manager explained why he was leaving me out for the Villa game I accepted and understood his feelings. There was no problem."

Beardsley also accepts that it took him a couple of games to get back into his stride after the disappointments of last season when Liverpool

John Aldridge has battled well to keep his place at Anfield as the competition gets fierce.



lost to Wimbledon in the FA Cup Final and then England failed miserably in Germany.

He was at his most razor sharp in last month's 3-1 win at Southampton but couldn't help the side slipping to two successive defeats against Newcastle and Luton.

"It's fair to say I wasn't at my best early on but, by the same token, the team hasn't been playing as well as we can," he explains. "Injuries haven't helped our cause, though."

## Indifferent

Playing in a midfield role which he insists doesn't suit him also contributed to an indifferent start and he recalls: "Things went reasonably well against Spurs because I was able to get forward quite frequently to support the front two."

"But against Walsall in the first leg of the Littlewoods Cup I didn't get forward as much as I would like and I don't think the role

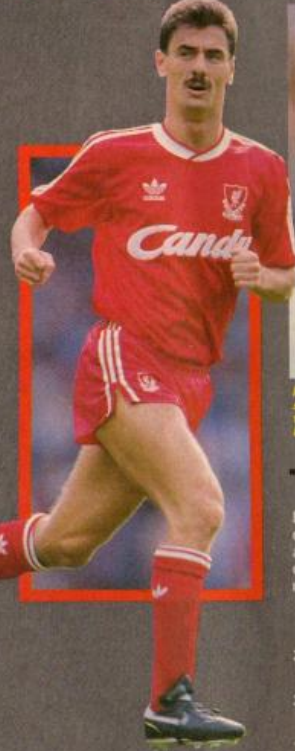
suited me.

"I believe I am at my most effective in the position I play for England alongside Gary Lineker and where I spent 90 per cent of last season playing off John Aldridge."

"Ideally I would like to play up front every week but, with a squad as good as the one Kenny Dalglish has assembled, you are just happy to get a game anywhere."

With the competition for places more intense than ever Beardsley is taking nothing for granted. But, having played such a vital part in last season's championship success he is confident of 'doing his bit' again this term.

"People have knocked me from time to time but the boss has



Manager Kenny Dalglish (above) sparked one of this season's major talking points when he brought Ian Rush home from Juventus.

With Barnes back after injury Beardsley is confident Liverpool can string a telling run together and he says: "I know we had a couple of dodgy results but there's no cause for alarm."

## THE STORY SO FAR

27/8 v Charlton	3-0	Aldridge/Beardsley (sub Rush)
3/9 v Man. Utd	1-0	Aldridge/Beardsley (sub Rush)
10/9 v A. Villa	2-2	Aldridge/Rush (sub Beardsley)
17/9 v Spurs	1-1	Aldridge/Beardsley/Rush
24/9 v Soton	3-1	Aldridge/Beardsley (sub Rush)
28/9 v Walsall	1-0	Aldridge/Beardsley/Rush
1/10 Newcastle	1-2	Aldridge/Beardsley (sub Rush)
8/10 v Luton	0-1	Rush (sub Aldridge)

always given me his full backing and I don't think I have let him down," he says.

"I'm doing the same job as last year and feeling really sharp. If you keep getting in Liverpool's team you can't be doing that bad."

Together with double Player of the Year John Barnes, Beardsley formed a lethal cocktail of skill and enterprise and there can be little doubt that the Geordie gem missed the presence of his England colleague for a spell this season.

# THE PAIN GAME

Ben Johnson's Olympic expulsion brought self examination to every branch of sport - including football.

Canadian sprinter Johnson was found to have used anabolic steroids - drugs which build up muscles artificially and improve aggressive performance unfairly.

Suddenly the world wondered whether any sport could count itself free from such abuse.

But while the Olympic movement shudders from the after-effects of drug-taking in Seoul, SHOOT believes that football can hold its head high.

Our special investigation has confirmed a clean bill of health for the game in Britain... but also offers a warning.

FA spokesman Glen Kirton reveals: "We have been conducting a random dope-testing operation on just about every Saturday for the last ten years."

"Our drugs blacklist is exactly the same as the one drawn up by the International Olympic Committee and two players from every club under scrutiny are tested for around 116 illegal drug groups."

"But we are pleased to say we have found no cases of players taking banned drugs in all that time."

Now the Scottish Football Association has also introduced random dope-testing and it has written to every one of its members pointing out the dangers of taking any kind of drugs or medicine without first advising their club.

But England physio Fred Street confirms: "Football doesn't have any problems with drugs. It is a game of skill and drugs can't really be used to improve performance."

## Soreness

"We do, however, use anti-inflammatory drugs such as Cortisone to reduce soreness as well as the odd pain-killer."

Great Britain silver medallist in the Olympic 1500m, Peter Elliott, had Cortisone injections immediately before his Finals in Seoul.

But England doctor John Crane says: "Cortisone is a very powerful drug and should be injected at least three or four days before the sportsman is back in action because it works over a two-week period."

Footballers at top level are similarly motivated to perform at all costs and a play-safe theory often goes out of the window.

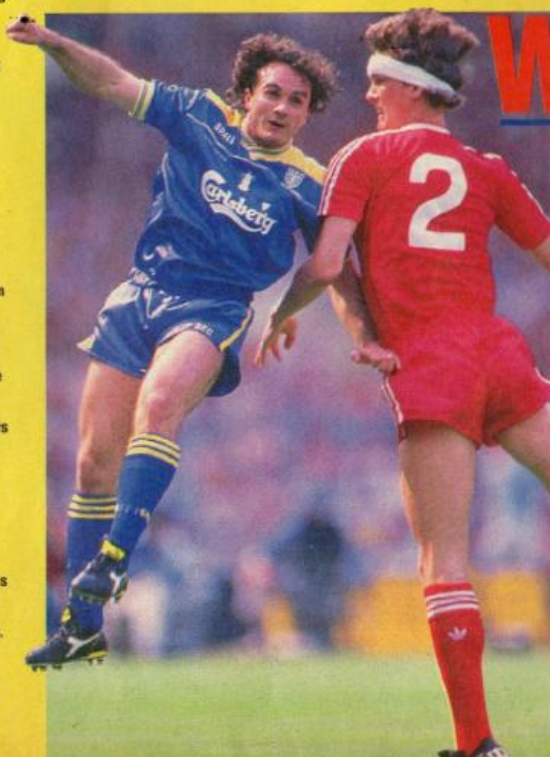
For example, Dr Crane insists: "I only use pain-killers - Brufen is the most common - in areas where no weight will be placed during the game, such as the ribs."

"I know of Achilles tendons being ruptured when injections have been used in that area and personally I wouldn't even inject alongside a tendon."

DRUGS IN SPORT



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# WE'RE LEGAL, BUT ARE WE SAFE?

But GPR's Ossie Ardiles, the Argentinian World Cup winner, has first hand experience of what Crane calls "The Show Must Go On Syndrome" in English football.

Ardiles says: "I used Cortisone in an ankle for a big game and it felt much worse a day or two later."

"I would be very, very reluctant to use it again, it should be a once-in-a-lifetime thing."

"I know players, without naming clubs or names, whose careers have really suffered because of too many Cortisone injections."

"Sometimes a player will put pressure on a club doctor in order to make sure he plays in an important match."

Spurs physio John Sheridan confirms: "Players are often their own worst enemies when it comes to injections. They are determined to play no matter what the price."

Former Liverpool right-back Tommy Smith, who needs drugs

Terry Gibson took pain-killers before last season's FA Cup victory over Liverpool.

## WE SAFE?

for arthritis, explains how players don't just seek pain-killers for the big games.

Smith says: "A player knows that he can lose his place in the team just by missing one match at top competitive level."

This indirect managerial pressure is all the incentive a player needs to take an injection.

For long-term injury sufferers like Malcolm Macdonald, it's the passion for the game which leads them to pain-killers.

Macdonald successfully prolonged his career from the age of 24 to 29 by using a tablet called B.T.Z. to overcome osteoarthritis.

Macdonald argues: "I had the disease already and it was my choice to carry on playing football, even though I admit my knees may be marginally worse as a result."

But did Macdonald really know

all the risks? England doctor Crane reveals: "B.T.Z. - full name Butazolidine - was a very effective pain-killer. But unfortunately it had to be taken off the market because of its side-effects. It caused blood disorders."

Players inevitably become guinea-pigs as sport increasingly flirts with modern medicine.

Tommy Smith claims: "A lot more explanation should be given to players regarding the effects of drugs used in football."

"At the moment they are only told what drugs are available. They should be told that taking a certain type of drug can cause complications."

Wimbledon's Terry Gibson echoes that view and worries about the future.

Injury-ridden Gibson says: "I don't regret having injections for



'Careers have suffered because of injections' Ossie Ardiles

last season's big FA Cup matches, but sometimes I worry about the long-term consequences on having relied on them for every day League matches in the past.

"You see some players in a terrible state at the end of their careers saying they wish they hadn't had so many injections."

With the game free from banned drugs in ten years of testing, football has every right to celebrate.

But if players are educated about the risks they are taking with above-board injections, the game can improve its proud record even further.



# TOP TEN

Alex Ferguson excuses after Manchester United defeat, as supplied by Samarth Sinha of Carmarthen, Dyfed.



- 1 The referee didn't see it.
- 2 The linesman forgot to raise his flag.
- 3 The atmosphere was intimidating.
- 4 We were stricken by injuries.
- 5 The pitch was a disgrace.
- 6 We were unlucky.
- 7 We didn't put away our chances.
- 8 Bryan Robson missed his bus and turned up late.
- 9 Our players over-slept because they were watching the Olympics.
- 10 Our players are upset because they haven't been in Lookalikes this season.

Ground names that would be affected by an attack of women's lib in football, according to Colin Byrne of Tullamore, County Offaly.

- 1 Anfield (Liverpool)
- 2 Molineux (Wolves)
- 3 Helen Road (Leeds)
- 4 Karen Road (Norwich)
- 5 Jillsborough (Sheff. Weds.)
- 6 Jane Road (Manchester City)
- 7 Joan Court (Bournemouth)
- 8 Sally Parade (Bradford)
- 9 Esther Road (Hibernian)
- 10 Denise Park (Dundee)

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# DON'T DUMP DAVIS, BOBBY

Arsenal's banned midfielder Paul Davis – who started his nine match ban last Saturday after breaking the jaw of Southampton's Glenn Cockerill with a punch – has been made a "scapegoat," says Bobby Mimmis of North London rivals Spurs.

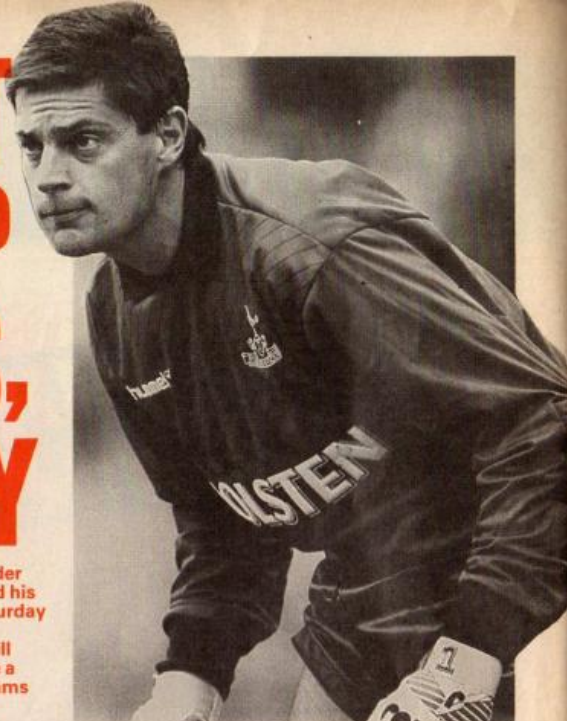
Mimmis, who recently defended his own reputation in SHOOT after coming under fire for a series of errors in the Spurs goal, calls upon England manager Bobby Robson to ignore the ban and pick Davis for England.

Mimmis says: "Our system of punishment is wrong. There is no consistency in the way he has been punished. "Had the referee seen the incident Paul would have been sent-off and only banned for three matches. But because everything came to light afterwards on television the authorities have made a scapegoat of him and punished him more severely.

## Police

"Outside influences are becoming increasingly involved in football which is worrying, especially where the police are concerned. "It's up to people in the game to enforce the laws. Football shouldn't be led by outside influences in such matters. "Anybody who has come across Paul knows what he did was out of character. I also know Glenn Cockerill, and he's not the type to wind people up either. Only those two know exactly what happened, but whatever the reasons I think it would be unfair if this harm's Paul's international chances. "Bobby Robson has to pick the best players available and if Paul has been playing well he deserves to be in the squad. After all, the nine-match ban only covers domestic matches."

But PFA Executive Brendan Batson, though he sympathises with Davis, believes the FA had no choice but to punish the



## 'Paul's been made a scapegoat'

Arsenal player severely after the incident had been seen all over the country.

"It was seen by millions on the television and the FA have to take that into account," says Batson, a former Arsenal player.

"With the police and other outside interests looking to become involved in the game it is very important that football

shows it can handle its own affairs.

"Paul has an exceptional disciplinary record and it is unfortunate for him but the sentence was necessary both as a deterrent to others and as a sign that football can manage itself."

Batson's view is backed by two of his First Division members, Leroy Rosenior of West Ham United and Middlesbrough's Bernie Slaven.

"I think it is a fair punishment," says Slaven. "You cannot be allowed to get away with that sort of thing – if you did it in the street the police would arrest you."

"What Paul did was disgraceful," agrees Rosenior, "and he deserved his punishment. But I don't think enough was said in Paul's defence. He is a really nice guy and was provoked. From what I saw on television he acted in retaliation after Glenn appeared to stamp on him."

"I don't think the incident should affect his England career," adds Rosenior, "as far as I am concerned the punishment he received was a fair one and that should be the end of the matter."

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# HE AIN'T HEAVY...

Lightweight Charlton hit-man Paul Williams firmly believes the key to First Division success lies in the kitchen.

Lennie Lawrence's new scoring sensation is desperately trying to put on weight and so far his "eat now talk later" policy is working a treat. Williams' appetite for food has sparked an amazing new appetite for goals, as six strikes in his first six games this season clearly showed.

He reported for pre-season training weighing 10st 3lb but now tips the scales at 10st 8lb... and counting.

First Division defences already know he has put on enough beef to mix it with the big boys. But Williams, who stands at five foot seven, is far from satisfied.

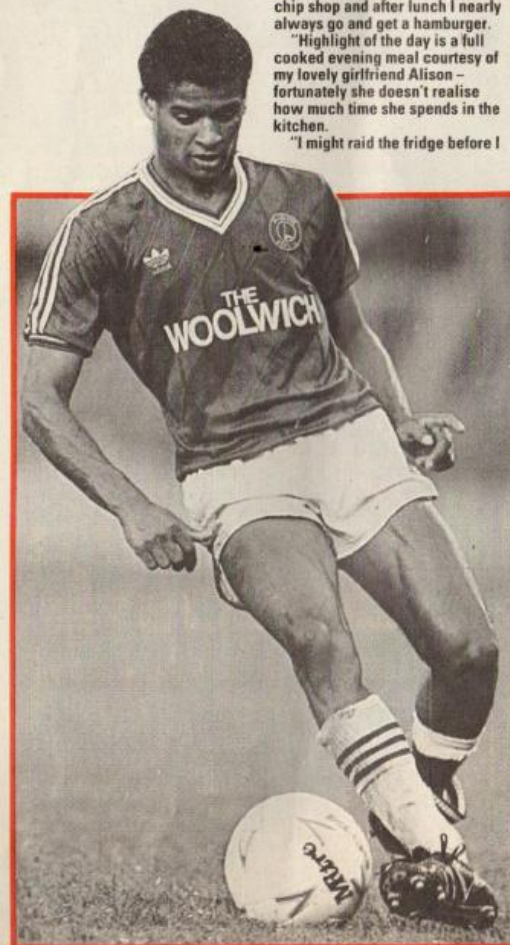
He explains: "I would never set myself a goal target of twenty-plus because I could find myself dropped – but I'm certainly aiming for 11 st."

When he is not playing football life with the Charlton striker is one long meal. He says: "I start with a full breakfast of cereal and bacon and beans on toast."

"Then I go down to the fish and chip shop and after lunch I nearly always go and get a hamburger."

"Highlight of the day is a full cooked evening meal courtesy of my lovely girlfriend Alison – fortunately she doesn't realise how much time she spends in the kitchen."

"I might raid the fridge before I



# VET

*'I would never set myself a goal target but I'm certainly aiming for 11 stone' Charlton's Paul Williams*

go to sleep and my only regret is that I don't get up early enough to fit in another meal.

"I was famous at non-League Woodford Town for eating massive hamburgers twenty minutes before the match but I've stopped that now."

Williams, now 23, thought his chance of top-grade football had gone when he was rejected by David Pleat's Tottenham a couple of years ago.

## 'Trial'

But his real bogey-man is Luton boss Ray Harford. Williams explains: "We have never seen eye to eye. He was manager at Fulham when I had a trial there as a teenager and he didn't make me a concrete offer."

"Then last season my run in Charlton's first team ended at Luton. I had a nightmare on their astroturf and since Ray Harford was manager the opposition knew how to keep me quiet."

"Harford's cunning management got me dropped." And Williams knows that nothing – except his four or five meals a day – will be handed to him on a plate this season.

But his impressive start has certainly given First Division defenders food for thought.

# TREV'S TIPS

● Soccer pundit Trevor Brooking's forecasts appear every week.  
★ See if you can beat him ...

Saturday, October 22	
FIRST DIVISION	
Arsenal v QPR	1
Aston Villa v Everton	X
Derby v Charlton	1
Liverpool v Coventry	1
Middlesbrough v Luton	X
Millwall v Nottm. Forest	X
Norwich v Tottenham	2
Southampton v Sheff. Wed.	1
West Ham v Newcastle	1
Wimbledon v Man. United	2

SECOND DIVISION	
Bournemouth v Shrewsbury	1
Barnsley v Ipswich	X
Brighton v Oldham	1
Chelsea v Plymouth	1
Crystal Palace v Hull	1
Leeds v Leicester	X
Man. City v Birmingham	1
Oxford v Blackburn	2
Stoke v Watford	X
Sunderland v Swindon	X
Walsley v Portsmouth	2
West Brom v Bradford	X

THIRD DIVISION	
Aldershot v Huddersfield	2
Blackpool v Port Vale	X
Bolton v Wolves	X
Barnsford v Preston	1
Bristol R v Chester	1
Gillingham v Bury	1
Mansfield v Cardiff	1
Northampton v Bristol C	X
Notts C v Reading	1
Sheff. Utd. v Wigan	1
Southend v Chesterfield	1
Swansea v Fulham	X

FOURTH DIVISION	
Burnley v Leyton O.	1
Colchester v Cambridge	1
Doncaster v Halifax	1
Exeter v Carlisle	1
Grimsby v York	X
Hartlepool v Crewe	1
Lincoln v Darlington	1
Peterboro v Hereford	1
Rochdale v Scunthorpe	X
Scarboro v Stockport	1
Torquay v Rotherham	1
Wrexham v Tranmere	1

SCOTTISH PREMIER	
Aberdeen v Dundee	1
Dundee Utd. v St. Mirren	1
Hearts v Celtic	X
Motherwell v Hibs	2
Rangers v Hamilton	1

SCOTTISH FIRST	
Clyde v St. Johnstone	X
Cydebank v Airdrie	X
Dunfermline v Meadowbank	1
Falkirk v Forfar	1
Kilmarnock v Raith	1
Morton v Ayr	1
O. of S. v Partick	X

SCOTTISH SECOND	
Aberdeen v East Stirling	1
Berwick v East Fife	2
Cowdenbeath v Dumbarton	1
Montrose v Alloa	1
Stenhousemuir v Brechin	X
Stirling Albion v Albion	1
Stranraer v Queens Park	X

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE	
Altrincham v Kidderminster	X
Barnet v Aylesbury	1
Fisher v Kettering	2
Macclesfield v Cheltenham	1
Maidstone v Yeovil	X
Newport v Chorley	2
Northwich v Enfield	1
Sutton v Runcorn	X
Welling v Boston	1
Weymouth v Stafford	2
Wycombe v Telford	X

SHOOT columnist Roy Aitken gives his verdict on the European Second Round ties featuring the four surviving Scottish clubs ... and he sends his best wishes to Welsh warriors Cardiff.

Cologne v RANGERS  
DUNDEE UTD v Dinamo Bucharest  
HEARTS v Austria Vienna  
CARDIFF v Aarhus

# WATCH OUT WERDER

A NY team that comes back from three goals down to win a European Cup-tie 5-3 has to be shown the utmost respect, and we are well aware that Werder Bremen will be a tough nut to crack.

Having lost the opening leg of their First Round tie to Dynamo Berlin, we fully expected to be facing the East Germans following the delayed second leg.

But, as a fellow SHOOT columnist keeps reminding us, football is a funny old game and it's the West Germans who will provide us with stern opposition next week.

Billy McNeill was there to witness Bremen's amazing comeback and he was suitably impressed. He didn't, however, see anything to worry us TOO much.

My old Celtic team-mate Murdo McLeod, now playing for Fortuna Dusseldorf, has also done a bit of spying for us and has told me that Bremen were unfortunate to lose the first leg 3-0.

He says that they took the game to Dynamo but were hit three times on the break. Maybe there's a lesson to be learned from that.

With the first leg at Parkhead it's vital we build-up a useful lead to take to Germany for the return. I don't think there's any way we would allow ourselves to

surrender such a lead.

The way we have been rattling in the goals recently a healthy victory isn't beyond us and the old confidence has certainly come flooding back after a sticky start.

It was the 4-0 win over Hovved in the last round which seemed to be the turning point for us.

That victory was a real

confidence booster and you could feel the apprehension and tension which had been hampering our play drift away. With the pressure lifted we were suddenly playing with more composure, and it showed in our next few performances.

We had let our standards slip early in the season, but we are back and buzzing now and I expect us to be in perfect shape for Wednesday's Second Round tie.

We are only one step away from the quarter-finals and, with a good home display I see no reason why we shouldn't be in the last eight along with Europe's cream.

I hope our other Scottish clubs – and Cardiff, of course – do as well in the Cup Winners' Cup and the UEFA Cup. Here's how I rate their chances.

## Cologne v RANGERS (UEFA Cup)

Cologne are one of Germany's top sides and they are sure to be very well organised and disciplined. Both teams are strong away from home but I believe Rangers, being on the crest of a wave on the domestic scene, will pass the test.

## DUNDEE UNITED v Dinamo Bucharest (Cup Winners' Cup)

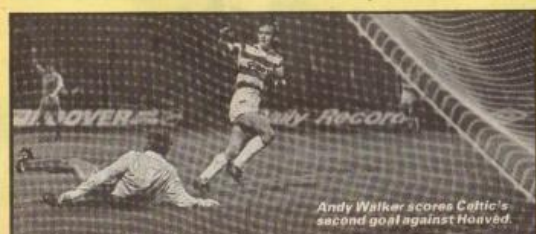
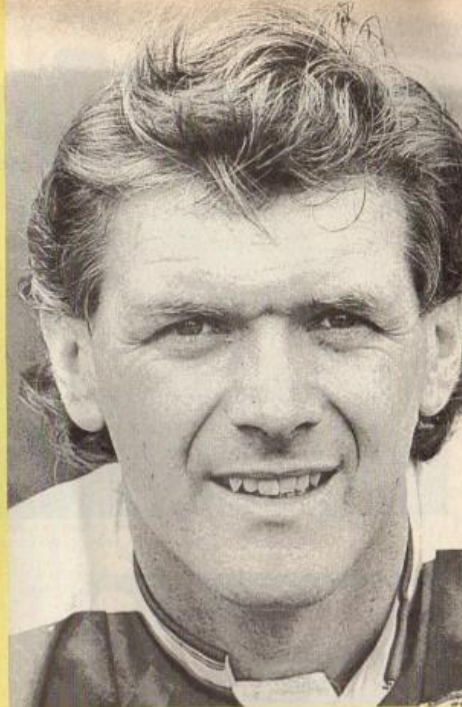
United have gained vital experience in Europe over the last few years and their game is suited to this type of competition. But they will have to be at their best to beat a very competent Rumanian side.

## HEARTS v Austria Vienna (UEFA Cup)

We played against Vienna's other top team Rapid a couple of years ago – as every Celtic fan will painfully recall – and found them a difficult side to break down. Hearts will find the same problem with Austria Vienna but a two-goal first leg lead should be enough to see them through.

## CARDIFF v Aarhus (Cup Winners' Cup)

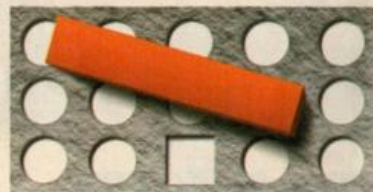
It wouldn't be fair to close my column without a word about the team carrying the Welsh flag. Obviously I don't know too much about Cardiff, or their Danish opponents, but everyone north of the border wishes City well.







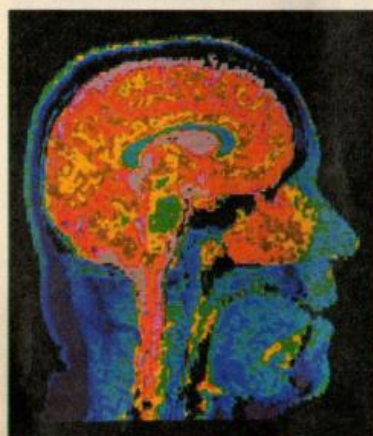
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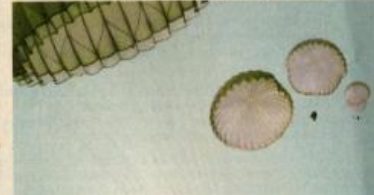
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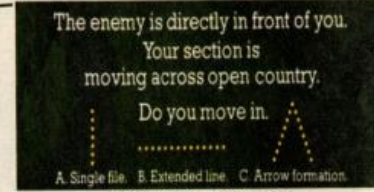
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- ...Berwick Rangers have made the record books by appointing the youngest chairman in Britain. George Deans is just 21.
- ...Newport boss John Mahoney was mistaken for a porter at the hotel where he resides in the Welsh town after helping two elderly ladies with their luggage. He was handed a tip for his services.
- ...West Ham have been so impressed with Mike Flanagan's efforts behind the scenes at Charlton that they are considering offering him a coaching position.
- ...Notts County boss John Barnwell has issued a firm hands off warning to First Division clubs chasing £1million star defender Dean Yates. "They can throw in the crown jewels and they still won't get him."
- ...Holland have received official approval from FIFA to organise the first ever Indoor World Cup next January. England are not expected to compete in the 16-team tournament.
- ...England's friendly against Morocco next month has been scrapped because the Africans are short of cash. England will play Saudi Arabia on November 16.
- ...Garry Thompson has turned down the chance of regular first team football at Birmingham, insisting he wants to stay and fight for his place at Aston Villa.
- ...Chris Whyte, the former Arsenal defender who has spent the last two years playing indoor football in America, is back in the country and on a two-year contract at West Brom.
- ...Sir Stanley Matthews, the legendary former England winger, is ending his self-imposed exile in Canada to return to live in Stoke-on-Trent. Sir Stan is 72.

**Sir Stanley Matthews**

**Garry Thompson - betting for his place at Villa.**

### PEN PALS

Antonio Dieguez, 24 The Crescent, Abbots Langley, Watford, Herts. WD5 0DS is 16-years-old and would like to hear from Real Madrid fans.

Andrew Stewart, 296 Becontree Avenue, Dagenham, Essex, RM8 2TP wants to correspond with supporters of any club in the Fourth Division aged between 12-15 years.

Jennifer Thomson, 19 Red Mine Crescent, Allenton, Shotts, Lanarkshire, ML7 5AE would like to hear from fellow Dundee United fans.

Vincent Jones, 25 Teagues Crescent, Trench, Telford, Shropshire, TF2 6RQ is 24-years-old and wants to correspond with Crystal Palace fans, male or female.

Jonathan Blower, 57 Lower Street, Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, W. Midlands. WVE 9LW wants pen pals who support Liverpool.

Peter Buchan, 61 Albert Street, Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, is 12-years-old and would like a foreign pen pal of about the same age with a view to swapping football pennants and souvenirs.

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## QUIZ

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Fifteen events are described below. Select the correct date from the three given.

- 1 Jim Montgomery proves to be Sunderland's hero with a superb display including a double save from Trevor Cherry and Peter Lorimer as they beat Leeds in the FA Cup Final.  
a) May 1971 b) May 1972 c) May 1973
- 2 Roger Osborne fires a shot past Pat Jennings in the closing minutes and it is enough to give Ipswich their first FA Cup Final success.  
a) May 1978 b) June 1979 c) May 1977
- 3 Only four minutes have passed when Peter Beardsley latches on to an error in the Yugoslavia defence to put England 1-0 up in this important European Championship qualifier.  
a) December 1987 b) November 1987 c) September 1987
- 4 Spain 'keeper Luis Arconada lets a free-kick from Michel Platini slip through his hands and France take the lead in the European Championship Final.  
a) September 1986 b) July 1980 c) June 1984
- 5 Forest youngster Garry Birtles' double strike proves too much for Southampton as Brian Clough's men win the League Cup Final 3-2.  
a) April 1978 b) April 1979 c) April 1980
- 6 An injury to Chris Woods in the Old Firm derby means a second outing for Rangers defender Graham Roberts as emergency goalkeeper against Celtic this season.  
a) October 1986 b) October 1987 c) January 1988
- 7 Diego Maradona is sensationally sent-off as Argentina crash out of the World Cup after a 3-1 defeat by Brazil.  
a) May 1982 b) July 1982 c) August 1982
- 8 Colin Clarke marks his League debut for Southampton with a hat-trick in The Saints' 5-1 win over QPR.  
a) August 1986 b) December 1986 c) April 1987
- 9 York's Keith Houchen scores a last minute penalty to knock Arsenal out of the FA Cup.  
a) January 1984 b) March 1984 c) January 1985
- 10 Ronnie Whelan scores a marvellous winner for Liverpool in their Milk Cup Final victory over Manchester United.  
a) April 1983 b) May 1983 c) April 1984
- 11 English referee Jack Taylor awards a penalty in the first minute of a World Cup Final and Johan Neeskens scores from the spot.  
a) July 1974 b) July 1976 c) July 1978
- 12 Scotland travel to Australia and successfully defend a 2-0 first-leg lead to qualify for a major tournament.  
a) September 1981 b) December 1981 c) December 1986
- 13 Kevin Reeves scores from a penalty to give Manchester City a 2-1 lead in the FA Cup Final Replay clash with Tottenham.  
a) May 1981 b) May 1982 c) June 1982
- 14 England suffer a disastrous 2-1 defeat in Norway and qualification for the World Cup Finals looks very unlikely.  
a) September 1980 b) September 1981 c) September 1985
- 15 Robert Lee scores Charlton's second goal in their 2-0 victory over Stoke in the last game played at The Valley.  
a) December 1981 b) May 1984 c) September 1985

## NAME THE DATE

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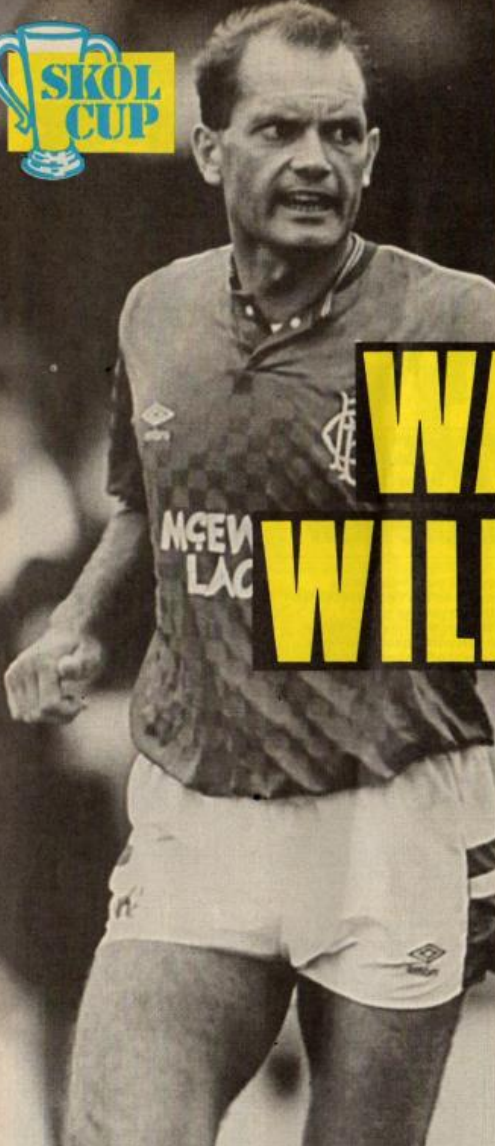
Graham Roberts - in goal for Rangers against Celtic when?

Diego Maradona is sent-off against Brazil in which year?









# WATCH WILKINS

**C**harlie Nicholas believes he has found the magic formula to help Aberdeen avoid a repeat of last season's Skol Cup Final defeat by Rangers.

The revitalised striker was languishing in Arsenal's reserves this time last year, when Rangers won a dramatic penalty shoot-out to win the Cup for a second successive season.

But Charlie says: "The key to their hat-trick is Ray Wilkins, and I believe the destination of the trophy will depend on how we play against him."



**'He's the key to a Rangers hat-trick' warns CHARLIE NICHOLAS**

"We simply must stop Butch taking control. He is still one of Britain's best midfielders and the man behind so many of Rangers' attacking moves."

Nicholas is aware that Rangers are far more than a one man side, but believes Aberdeen possess the necessary equipment to handle the Light Blues' other danger men.

He adds: "They have plenty of class players. Ally McCoist's record speaks for itself and Mark Walters has been in scintillating form, but I'm confident our defence can handle their threat."

And Charlie is convinced that Hampden Park is set for another goal bonanza on Sunday. "The no-replay format has proved to be a winner in the Skol Cup and there is no doubt Rangers and ourselves are the teams in form at the moment."

Charlie is fond of League Cup Finals. He struck Celtic's opening goal in their 2-1 defeat of Rangers in the 1982-83 Final. And his red-

letter day at Arsenal was when he scored twice in their victory over Liverpool in the 1987 Littlewoods Cup Final.

A strict training schedule devised by Aberdeen bosses Alex Smith and Jocky Scott has left Charlie looking sharper than he has done for years, and who would bet against him using Sunday's Final as the stage to announce his return to the limelight?

He adds: "I've shed about a stone in weight and I'm feeling sharper with every game I play. I'm not far from being in the type of condition needed to do myself justice again."

"I've been developing a good understanding with big Davie Dodds up front and I'm confident we will be good for a few goals."

"Our UEFA Cup defeat by Dynamo Dresden was a big blow but we mean to guarantee our passage into Europe next season with victory over Rangers on Sunday."

## NOBBY



## SPOTLIGHT ON

# IAN FERGUSON



**Full name:** Ian Fergusson.  
**Date of birth:** March 15, 1967.  
**Previous clubs:** Clyde, St. Mirren.  
**Team you supported as a boy:** I was a Rangers fanatic and always dreamed of playing for them one day.  
**Goalkeeper or defender?** Goalkeeper.  
**John Greig, who was captain of both Rangers and Scotland:** I've been a fan boy for a lemonade firm and also had a spell as a porter at the Western Infirmary in Glasgow. But I'll let you into a secret - I enjoy being a footballer most of all!

**What has been the highlight of your career so far?**  
Well, apart from finally signing the forms that made me a Rangers player, it would have to be the Scottish Cup Final in 1987 when I scored the only goal to give St. Mirren a shock win over Dundee United.

**And what about the biggest disappointment?**  
Not signing for our Skol Cup Final opponents, Aberdeen. I was a schoolboy when I travelled back and forth to Pittodrie for three years, before being told by Alex Ferguson, who was in charge at the time, that he wasn't going to sign me.

**Graeme Souness has said he thinks you'll play for Scotland in the near future. Any comment?**  
I hope he's right! The gaffer gave me a boost when he said that but while I'd love to win international honours I'll be patient. Andy Roxburgh also mentioned my name, so that's very encouraging, but my priority is to keep my place in the Rangers team. When I look at some of the players challenging for places, I'll never take anything for granted.

**Are you happy with your progress at Ibrox?**  
A lot happier now. When I first arrived all the hassle over my transfer affected my form and I wasn't really satisfied with my contribution over the eight games I played. But I've felt more a part of the set-up this season and offered more as a team player.

**Any particular ambitions?**  
My first is to add a Skol Cup medal to my Scottish Cup one. And I hope to receive a

Championship medal at the end of the season. In fact, the way we've been playing I haven't ruled out the possibility of a clean sweep of honours.

**Who will you have cheering for you at Hampden?**  
Hopefully, about 50,000 Rangers fans. On a more personal note, my parents will be there, hopefully to share another memorable moment in my career. They deserve a special mention for their tremendous encouragement over the years.

**Rangers paid almost £1 million to sign you from St. Mirren. Did the huge fee bother you?**  
Not really, because it's something that never involves the player and is strictly a matter for the two clubs. All I ever wanted was to prove to everyone at Rangers that it wasn't money wasted and I think I'm justifying the fee.

**Any hobbies?**  
Basically, I'm into sport. I enjoy tennis, pool, snooker, table tennis and swimming.

**Who is your favourite footballer/other sportsman/actor?**  
I've always been a great Glenn Hoddle fan, I admire John McEnroe because he hates losing as much as I do and if there's a Clint Eastwood movie showing at the local cinema I'm first in the queue.

**What about your favourite musicians and TV shows?**  
Police, Simple Minds and Queen are my top bands and I try to keep up-to-date with the soap operas like Crossroads and Coronation Street.



# ABERDEEN



BACK ROW (left to right): David Robertson, Jim Bett, Tom Jones (now Swindon), Brian Irvine, Davie Dodds, Ian Robertson, Brian Grant, Charlie Nicholas.  
MIDDLE ROW: David Wylie (physio), Jocky Scott (co manager), Paul Mason, Theo Snelders, Stephen Beckett, Robert Connor, Drew Jarvie (assistant manager), Teddy Scott (coach).  
FRONT ROW: Ian Porteous, John Hewitt, Alex McLeish, Willie Miller, Alex Smith (co manager), Neil Simpson, Paul Wright, Stewart McKimmie, Stevie Gray.











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## A photograph of a man and a young child sitting on a light-colored couch. The man, with short brown hair and a mustache, is wearing a dark blue long-sleeved shirt and blue jeans. He is holding an acoustic guitar and smiling at the camera. The child, with blonde hair, is wearing a purple long-sleeved shirt and blue jeans. The child is sitting in front of the man, looking down at the guitar. The background is a plain, light-colored wall with a door handle visible.

Unbeknown to his Everton teammates (until now, that is), Trevor's wide range of skills stretch to playing the guitar, although he modestly insists: "I only know two chords. Mind you, what I can achieve with those two chords is quite sensational." He took guitar lessons a couple of years ago but has "practised out" the required enough knowledge though to be able to master John Denver's classic *Annie's Song*. "That's my party piece, although I haven't actually performed at a party... yet." His musical tastes are diverse, "I like to listen to Sade, but I often play some punk from my serious music-listening era."

# TREVOR STEVEN



**LIFE + STYLE**





## CAR

Nothing too flash here, although he's more than happy with the Ford Escort 1.6 supplied by his personal sponsors M53 Ford. More practical than posy. His wife Karen drives a Ford Sierra. "At least she did until she had an accident in it a couple of weeks ago," he points out. Karen was badly shaken in the crash and also picked up a neck injury which forced her to wear a support collar for a time (which is why you don't see her in any of our pictures).

## TV/FILMS

Trevor is a self-confessed film buff and has recently started collecting videos of some of the black and white classics of years gone by. Humphrey Bogart in 'The Big Sleep' is a particular family favourite. "I love the old films and I'm keen to build up quite a collection," he says. "There's no better way to kill a couple of hours after training than with my feet up on the sofa watching one of the old classics. They don't make 'em like they used to."



## BOOKS

Trevor hoards most of his books in the loft of his bungalow where you will find all Tory author Jeffrey Archer's best-selling novels. "I have read all of his books and they really are very entertaining," he says. "I also enjoy Jack Higgins' thrillers. I don't read as much as I used to, except when I'm on holiday."

## EVERTON

After the disappointments of last season Trevor was hoping for better fortunes this time around. And when Everton kicked off the season in style with a 4-0 win over Newcastle the signs were good. But an injury he picked up towards the end of that game, and which kept him out for over a month, soon dampened the Steven spirit. He's back and buzzing now and says: "The team itself also went through a dodgy spell but I believe we're over it now and we can only get better. The new lads have settled in and the 4-1 win over Southampton - my comeback game - gave everyone's confidence a boost." There'll be no title talk yet though.

## AMBITIONS

Trevor's contract runs out at the end of the season and that could well alert a host of top clubs. Manchester United and Rangers were tracking him last season, but he says: "I'm not making any decision about my future until the end of the season. My only concern is playing well enough to keep my place in the Everton side - and win back my place in the England squad."

He was left out of the party for the Sweden game but hopes his absence from the international arena is only a temporary one.

# LIFE STYLE

## LOOK RIGHT DAY & NIGHT



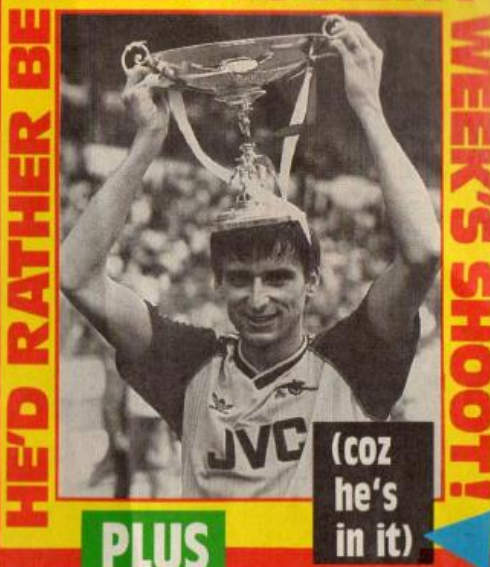
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# DOUBLE TOP FLOPS

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Tony Cascorino gets above the Coventry defence, but he was unable to add to his seven goals so far this season. Gary Porter (right) got Watford out of a tight spot with a controversial equaliser.

**M**illwall and Watford missed opportunities to go top of Divisions One and Two on Saturday.

Both clubs have already led their respective divisions this season, and both could have forged ahead again with victories. But they each had to settle for a single point, meaning Norwich and Blackburn kept their places at the top.

Millwall's task was never going to be easy in their match of the day confrontation with Coventry. But once again the Second Division Champions held their own against a Coventry side that has also started the season brightly.

Lions boss John Docherty said: "I



don't have to justify us not winning. We never looked like the away side and were in full control.

"My goalkeeper didn't have a save to make and the back four were outstanding."

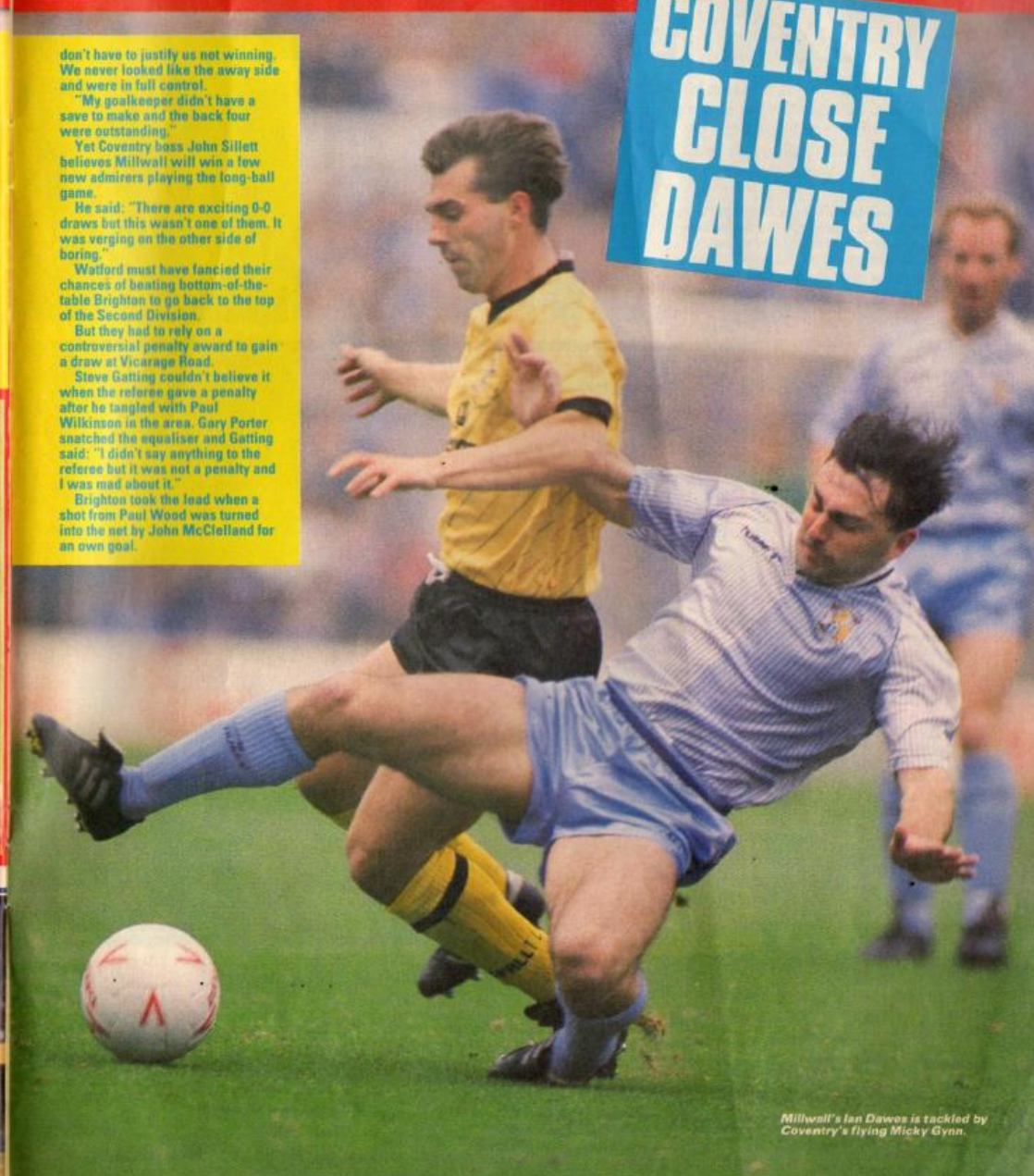
Yet Coventry boss John Silleet believes Millwall will win a few now admirers playing the long-ball game.

He said: "There are exciting 0-0 draws but this wasn't one of them. It was verging on the other side of boring."

Watford must have fancied their chances of beating bottom-of-the-table Brighton to go back to the top of the Second Division. But they had to rely on a controversial penalty award to gain a draw at Vicarage Road.

Steve Gattling couldn't believe it when the referee gave a penalty after he tangled with Paul Wilkinson in the area. Gary Porter snatched the equaliser and Gattling said: "I didn't say anything to the referee but it was not a penalty and I was mad about it."

Brighton took the lead when a shot from Paul Wood was turned into the net by John McClelland for an own goal.



Millwall's Ian Dawes is tackled by Coventry's flying Micky Gynn.

## NEWELL'S A JEWEL

A two-goal blast by Leicester striker Mike Newell (seen here scoring his first) clinched the points against struggling Stoke - and went some way towards justifying the club's promotion favourites' tag. But as City boss David Pleat knows, his side still has a long way to go.





# SIX MILLION DOLLAR

**H**AVING taken the First Division by storm with Wimbledon not so long ago, John Fashanu knows the joy and jubilation currently being felt down at his old Cold Blow Lane stamping ground.

The former Millwall favourite also knows the traps smaller clubs can fall into when they hit the big time which is why he urges The Lions: "Enjoy every minute, but respect no-one!"

"If you go to places like Anfield and Old Trafford and show teams too much respect you will get torn apart. If they stick together as a unit Millwall will be alright."

After a brief, yet memorable, spell at The Den Fash has a great deal of affection for the club and he says: "They have made a fantastic start and I am delighted for them."

"But let's not kid ourselves, they are not going to win the Championship. Consistency is the key and is something smaller clubs struggle to achieve. A top ten place would be a realistic position - and still a great achievement."

## 'Test'

"Team spirit is the all-important thing at a club like Millwall - as it is at Wimbledon - and while things are going well it's no problem. The real test comes when results start going against you. That's when you really have to battle."

"When the going gets tough you can't afford to have faint hearts around. That's when you see what players are made of."

"Millwall haven't got many players with First Division experience and they will rely heavily on the likes of Terry Hurlock, Keith Stevens and Les Briley. Come wind, rain or shine they will be out there giving everything."

"It's going to be hard but they have my best wishes."

**BRIAN HORNE:** I thought he might struggle because of his lack of inches - he's only 5ft 10ins - but he makes up for it ten times over with his ability and agility. I remember him as a quiet, polite lad who always wanted to do extra training and was always prepared to ask for advice.

**KEITH STEVENS:** A very fierce competitor and a solid right-back. Millwall's Mr Reliable. He seems to have been

at the club a million years and it's hard to believe he's still only 24. It seemed he would be moving clubs but he's still there and will probably be at The Den for a testimonial.

**IAN DAWES:** A very good player who joined the club from QPR in the summer and has given them a touch of First Division experience the side is lacking. Not what you would call a big-name player but then there are no

stars at Millwall and that's why they are doing so well.

**STEVE WOOD:** I was impressed with him when he was at Reading and, having come up through the divisions, he is certainly not out of his depth in the top flight. In fact he should have been playing in Division One a lot earlier in his career. He has a lot of ability and is a very tidy player.

**ALAN McLEARY:** Been at Millwall quite a long time and I am surprised he hasn't moved on before now. Quite lightweight for a defender but has a good brain. Might struggle against a big centre-forward.

**TERRY HURLOCK:** The Vinny Jones-type figure in the Millwall side and the sort of player every team needs. You wouldn't want to meet him at The Den in the middle of winter. But, like Vinny, he's not

just a hard man. It annoys me when players get labels because it detracts from the ability he has and Terry has more skill than he is given credit for.

**GEORGE LAWRENCE:** He has an awesome physique but doesn't always put it to the best use. He plays in spasms; brilliant one week, ineffective the next. He is a very underrated player and on his day quite frightening to come up against. The sort of player I'd

like alongside me. A match winner on his day.

**LES BRILEY:** A particular favourite of mine because he is a genuine, nice guy, a great captain and a damned good player. He's a grafter, always gets stuck in and it would have been a travesty of justice had he never made it to the First Division.

**TEDDY SHERINGHAM:** He had one or two problems playing

under George Graham because he was something of a fancy dan. He always wanted to try the impossible but he seems to have come down to earth now and learned that football is an easy game. He's a better player for it and has formed a good partnership with Tony Cascarino.

**TONY CASCARINO:** Proved himself in the lower divisions with Gillingham and, after the start he's made to his First

Division career, I have no doubts that he will go all the way. He has real quality about him.

**KEVIN O'CALLAGHAN:** Promised to beat the world a few years ago and, while he perhaps hasn't fulfilled his potential, he is still a great player in my book. A great supplier who it normally takes two defenders to mark. He has a lot of skill and a great cockney sense of humour which makes him a very popular figure.

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Above: Millwall will rely heavily on their midfield pairing of Terry Hurlock and Les Briley. Right: Steve Wood will have no trouble adapting to the First Division.



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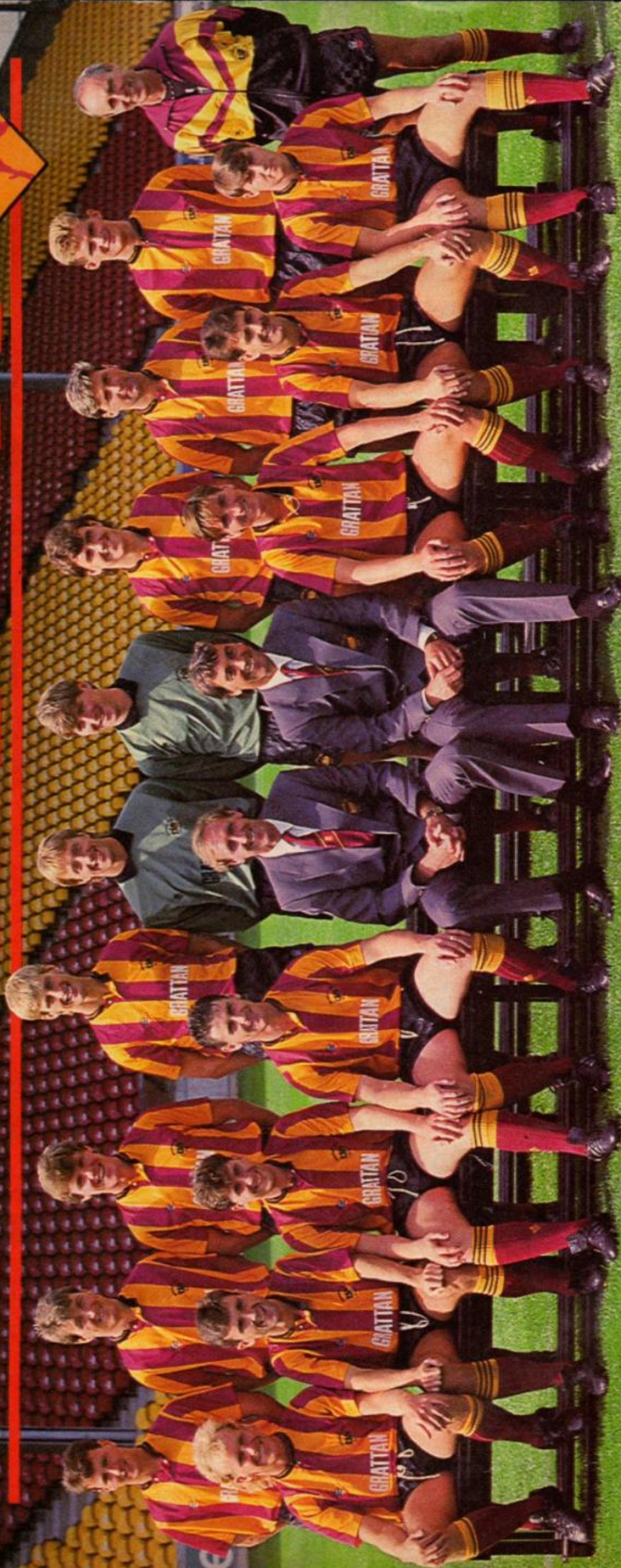
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Ian Dawes	£150,000	£150,000
Steve Wood	£80,000	£250,000
Alan McLeary	nil	£600,000
George Lawrence	£130,000	£275,000
Terry Hurlock	£95,000	£250,000
Les Briley	£20,000*	£100,000
Teddy Sheringham	nil	£500,000
Tony Cascarino	£225,000	£750,000
Kevin O'Callaghan	£85,000	£150,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£785,000</b>	<b>£3,500,000</b>

\* Briley's move to Millwall from Aldershot was a player exchange deal. Andy Massey left The Den and Aldershot also received £20,000.

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**BACK ROW** (left to right): Greg Abbott, Andy Thomas, Mark Leonard, Ian Ormondroyd, Peter Litchfield, Paul Tomlinson, Gavin Oliver, Ian Banks, Lee Sinnott, Bryan Edwards (physio).



**FRONT ROW:** Mark Ellis, Karl Goddard, Leigh Palin, Mick Kennedy, Terry Dolan (manager), Stan Ternent (assistant manager), Brian Mitchell, Dave Evans, Paul Jewell.